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RESOLUTIONS OF THE FOURTH PLENARY SESSION OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE  
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THE DPYL'S WORK ON THE PATRIOTIC EDUCATION OF YOUTH

Under the leadership of the Bulgarian Communist Party and Comrade Vulko Chervenkov, the Dimitrovite Youth League [DPYL] has achieved considerable success in the work of patriotic education among young people.

Pursuing the policies of the Bulgarian Communist Party and guided by the spiritual heritage of Georgi Dimitrov, the organizations of the DPYL, in all their manifold activities, educate our youth to unlimited love and devotion too our Fatherland, to the BCP and Comrade Vulko Chervenkov, to the Soviet Union, the VKP(b) and Comrade Stalin.

In fulfillment of the directives given by the CC of the BCP, in its greeting to the Second Congress of the DPYL, the League improved its educational work among both the membership and unaffiliated youth for unrelenting hatred of the inciters of the new war -- the Anglo-American imperialists and their despised servants in the Balkans, the Titoists, the Greek Monarcho-Fascists, and the Turkist reactionaries.

The DPYL conducts political activity on a broad front to unmask and eradicate among our youth the remnant manifestations of bourgeois ideology, culture and morality, while it popularizes among them the great achievements of Soviet science, culture and art, as well as the achievements of the Bulgarian people's culture and art.

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The revolutionary vigilance of our young men and women is growing.

In accepting responsibility for the Armored, Border, and Air Forces, the DPYL sends its most deserving members into the ranks of the Forces.

In its daily patriotic educational work among young people, the Dimitrovite People's Youth League is learning from the inexhaustible fund of experience of the Lenin-Stalinist Komsomol.

In spite of all these achievements, the DPYL's patriotic educational work among youth is inadequate.

Many of the committees and organizations of the DPYL perform unsatisfactorily the tasks of aiding the party committees to organize, the forces of the working masses and young people in the fight for peace. They do not always know how to combine the fight for peace with the practical objectives of socialist construction and the patriotic education of youth.

There is insufficient use of political enlightenment in the patriotic education of youth. Many propagandists do not make sufficiently clear the universal and decisive aid which the Soviet Union, the VKP(b), and Comrade Stalin are giving our country. They do not sufficiently point out the leading role of the BCP in the overall life of our People's Republic, they do not help our young people to see sufficiently well their tasks, thereby failing to educate them into ardent patriots.

In places, serious weaknesses are permitted to exist in the cultivation, among youth, of a socialist attitude toward labor and public property.

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Insufficiently popularized are the achievements of young heroes of socialist labor, shock-workers, Stakhanovites, decorated heroes of the People's Army and People's Militia, and of the most conscientious and successful students and scholars -- all of whom are the best of our patriots.

Equally inadequate is the anti-Titoist propaganda conducted by the DPYL among young people to unmask Tito's gang of spies and murderers.

The work of the young people's press is likewise unsatisfactory in this respect.

For a long time, the League has left out of sight the work of educating our young people in the spirit of the revolutionary traditions of our Renaissance, of the September revolution of 1923, and the fight against fascism. The feeling of national pride over immeasurable superiority of the socialist order over capitalism is insufficiently instilled in our youth.

In some DPYL organizations, especially in the schools, expressions of bourgeois influence are tolerated. Many committees and organizations of the DPYL are content with a single action, and do not lead an organized and systematic struggle against the remnant manifestations of bourgeois ideology and bourgeois morality among our young people. Not enough panels and lectures are provided for the Communist education of youth.

The work of the DPYL for the physical education of youth is inadequate. A number of Okrug, Okoliya, and local committees are still underestimating the problem of the physical education of youth.

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In order to bring about decisive and universal improvement in the patriotic educational work of the DPYL among young people, the 4th Plenary Session of the Central Committee of the DPYL resolves:

### I. IN REGARD TO THE WORK OF THE DPYL TO CULTIVATE THE CHARACTER TRAITS OF SOCIALIST PATRIOTISM AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE

The Dimitrovite People's Youth League in support of the Bulgarian Communist Party in the Communist education of youth has the calling to educate in its ranks "highly conscious and fearless fighters for the freedom and honor of our Fatherland, for the cause of the Communist Party, for the victory of socialism, fighters who are unrelenting to the enemy and confident of their strength" (From the greeting of the CC of the BCP to the Second Congress of the DPYL).

1. There should be fostered, among the youth of our people, the feeling of conscious, unqualified love for our socialist Fatherland, of deep fidelity and devotion to the BCP, the People's Government and Comrade Vulko Chervenkov, to the mighty Soviet Union, the VKP(b) and the great Stalin.

The DPYL must develop, among our young people, an ardent love for our heroic Bulgarian people -- which has not forgotten its language and national consciousness during the five dark centuries of the Turkish yoke, and will never bow its head to the Bulgarian fascists and imperialist usurpers -- for our melodious mother tongue, for our sacred Bulgarian soil.

The education of our youth for the love of our country and people must be organically linked with its education for a boundless love for the BCP and Comrade Chervenkov, who is carrying on the great work of Georgi Dimitrov.

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All of the patriotic educational work of the DPYL among young people must be permeated by the idea of the inviolability of Bulgarian-Soviet friendship. It should be based on Georgi Dimitrov's word that our people needs the friendship of the Soviet Union just as "all living things need the sun and air."

An important means for the patriotic education of youth is political enlightenment. It should lead to the cultivation in the audience of the highest patriotic feelings of love for our people, our country, and our party, for the USSR, the VKP(b), and for Comrade Stalin. Study group leaders should not expound their materials with detachment, abstractly, and with false objectivity, but should point out with Bolshevik passion the leading role of the Communist Party in the life of our country, they should set forth the immense brotherly aid that the USSR is giving us.

In the activities of the youth reading circles, Soviet artistic literature should serve as a means to point out the unparalleled heroism of the Soviet people in the struggle for the defense of its socialist Fatherland and for the building of Communism in the Soviet Union, so that our youth can see the noble character of the Soviet people in contrast with the revolting nature of the American murderers and bandits.

An important condition for the acquisition of the rich experience of the Soviet Union and the Lenin-Stalinist Komsomol is the study of the Russian language by our young men and women. The Plenary Session exhorts the organizations of the DPYL to take steps for mass study of the Russian language in the courses organized by the Bulgarian-Soviet Friendship League.

2. Our youth should be imbued with unrelenting hatred for the

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inciters of the new imperialist war -- the Anglo-American imperialists and their tools in the Balkans -- Tito's fascist gang, the Greek monarcho-fascists, and the Turkish reactionaries. The unflinching readiness of our youth to defend at all costs the cause of socialism against their insidious encroachments should be strengthened; our youth should be educated in the spirit of proletarian internationalism.

The DPYL should lead an unrelenting struggle against bourgeois nationalism amongst our youth, because "nationalism is the deadly enemy of socialism and of true love of country" (Chervenkov).

The fight against manifestations of bourgeois nationalism and its bearers should be inseparable from the education of our youth -- education based on the spirit of truthful adherence to the principles of proletarian internationalism, and on friendship with the democratic youth of other countries -- the Soviet Komsomol in particular.

Educational work for the participation of our youth in the struggle for peace should be intensified. The Committees and local groups of the DPYL must commit their entire activity to alerting socialist competition in the struggle for peace. By presenting concrete facts at panels and political information meetings, in the repertoires of amateur theatrical groups, and in the youth press, the larcenous nature of the "American way of life" must be exposed every day, so that the light of day may be thrown on the aggressive plans of the imperialists and their tools in the Balkans. Thus will they be exposed as the accursed enemies of peace and socialism that they are, so that the feeling of brotherly solidarity may be strengthened with the Korean people and its youth who are fighting for the freedom and independence of their fatherland. The Plenary session appeals to the youth of the working masses to participate as actively as possible in the movement to aid the fighting Korean people.

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The plenary Session considers the intensification of anti-Titoist propaganda, not merely in the regions bordering on Yugoslavia, but among all of our youth, one of the most pressing objectives of the League. The youth press must without delay give a well-deserved answer to the evil-minded gossip scribblings of the Titoists directed against our Fatherland and the DPYL. The magazine "Mladezh", the newspaper "Septembriyche", the magazines "Nauka i tekhnika za mladezh", and "Plamche" must give much more space to anti-Titoist material.

With the expansion of anti-Titoist propaganda, the Plenary Session directs, must go an intensification among our youth of the work of unmasking Turkish reactionaries and Greek fascists.

The anti-Titoist propaganda among the youth of the Kray of Pirin must be accompanied by the clarification of the Party's standpoint regarding the Macedonian question.

3. Our youth should be educated in a socialist attitude toward labor and Public <sup>Property</sup> ~~Property~~.

Following the example of Soviet youth and the example of the foremost workers of industry and agriculture, the DPYL must draw our urban and rural working youth even more actively into socialist competition for the unceasing increase of labor productivity and the lowering of production costs, by adopting new Soviet methods of production, obtaining bumper harvests of grain crops and attaining a high productivity in livestock-raising.

In line with this objective, the committees and local groups of the DPYL should organize the study and popularization, on a broad scale, of the experience of the foremost workers in industry, transport, construction work and agriculture.

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The Plenary Session reminds the committees, organizations, and all members of the DPYL that the task of the patriotic education of urban and rural working youth can be accomplished at the present time only by the struggle for fulfillment of the production plans for 1952, the year which will decide whether the five-year plan can be fulfilled in four years.

Under the leadership of the Party the DPYL must constantly fight to conserve raw materials, fuel and electric power, to handle machinery carefully in order to lengthen its life, to take good care of cooperative livestock, to utilize in the most rational manner all waste materials of production, and to keep all places of work properly policed.

The DPYL organizations in the schools should aid the faculties in instilling the students a feeling of responsibility for their success and conduct, and a desire to obtain the best education possible.

4. There should be an unrelenting struggle to eradicate the residual influences of bourgeois culture and morality from the consciousness of our youth; to mold our young people into high-minded exponents of Communist morality.

The DPYL should yield no quarter in leading the stubborn fight against bourgeois ideas, culture, and morality, against all manifestations of bourgeois cosmopolitanism, and all bowing and scraping before Western culture and art.

The Plenary session finds that the DPYL organizations must intensify their antireligious propaganda among young people.

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The DPYL organizations in the schools must conduct the fight to create an atmosphere of impermeability to bourgeois influences in the secondary schools. The Okrug and Okoliya Committees of the DPYL in the schools must devise concrete measures which they can unswervingly carry out according to plan in cooperation with the principals, teachers and the "National Enlightenment" groups, and under the leadership of the Party committees and organizations.

By the wealth of its diverse forms of work for the culture of the masses, the DPYL must cultivate among our young men and women the traits of the new Communist morality, in order to prepare them to be citizens worthy <sup>of</sup> our socialist Fatherland.

5. Our youth should be educated to a feeling of national pride, in the spirit of the revolutionary traditions of the Bulgarian Renaissance, of the glorious September uprising of the year 1923, and of the armed struggle against fascism. It should be made to feel pride in the consciousness of the superiority of the socialist order over capitalism.

The DPYL should foster a feeling of national pride in our youth by acquainting it with the heroic past of our freedom-loving people -- the unselfish struggle of such ardent patriots as the immortal revolutionaries of the epoch of the Bulgarian Renaissance -- Botev, Levski, Rakovski, Benkovski, Stefan Karadzha, and others. The life and works of Botev and Levski should serve our youth as glorious examples of fearlessness, virility and all-sacrificing love of country. With this in mind, their biographies should be more widely popularized among our young people. The immortal creations of Botev should occupy a larger place in the repertoires of the amateur performer groups and anniversary celebrations of important dates in the lives of these patriots should systematically be organized and conducted.

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Botev's poems, Levski's letters, Ivan Bazov's Under the Yoke and The Epic of the Forgotten, Zakhari Stoyanov's Memoirs of the Bulgarian Uprisings, the poems of Smirnenski, Vaptsarov, and others must be widely popularized and become the closest comrades of every young man and woman.

At the open cultural meetings of the local groups of the DPYL, more lectures and panels should be conducted on the life and works of the figures of the Bulgarian Renaissance, the heroes of the September uprising of the year 1923, the boy-hero members of the Bulgarian Komsomol and RMS [Republican Youth League (?)] and the people's partisans.

To foster among our youth the love of our native country and the spirit of its fighting traditions, the committees and local groups of the DPYL should organize the study, by our young people, of the past and present of our native land, of the vast reshaping of its economy and culture during the years of the Peoples Democratic rule.

The Plenary session suggests to the Ministry of National Enlightenment and the Academy of Sciences dramatizing the most important historic moments connected with the revolutionary fighting traditions of our people and its army.

The Plenary Session suggests to the Ministry of Enlightenment the publication of a memorial volume of the Patriotic War, of portraits of the tried-and-true heroes of our past wars and the Patriotic War, the extension of the work on the Military Museum of Sofia and museums of other towns of our country, in order to turn them into focal points for the spread of military knowledge and the study of the history of our army.

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The Plenary Session suggests to the Committee on Motion Pictures the production of films about Botev, Levski, Benkovski; about important moments of our heroic past.

All of the activities of the DPYL to educate our youth in the spirit of the fighting traditions of the Renaissance, the September uprising and the antifascist struggle, must be connected with the struggle to build a socialist society in our country.

The DPYL must develop, among our youth, a feeling of pride of living in a country like ours: one in which the people have become complete masters of their fate; one in which the People's Democratic rule is creating a powerful socialist industry and rich and modernized cooperative farms in the villages, and is bring<sup>G</sup>ing forth a new culture, truly of the people.

Through the medium of political enlightenment and cultural and political work among the masses, the DPYL must acquaint our young men and women with the enormous achievements of socialist economy in the Soviet Union, opening up before them the bright perspectives and pathways of the building of Communist society in the USSR. It must point out the vital strength of our People's Democratic order, and its advantages as compared to the capitalist order which is doomed to failure.

The ideological educational work of the DPYL among the Mohammedan youth of Bulgaria should be intensified, in order to sharpen and raise their national consciousness. There should be an intensification of the activity of the DPYL groups for the international education of Turkish youth in Bulgaria. To achieve this objective, the Bureau of the Central Committee of the DPYL should devise appropriate measures.

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6. The news papers Narodna mladezh, Khalk genchlii, Septembriyche and Eylyudzhu chodzhuk, and the magazines Mladezh, Planche, Druzhinka, and Nauka i tekhnika za mladezhta should give more space to stories, features, and articles about the heroism and achievements of our people, about the new attitude of youth toward work and public property, about the high spiritual and moral qualities of our youth, about the heroism of the young border guards, militia men and fighters of the People's Army, about the patriotic manifestations of our young people and pioneers, and draw into the fold of the contributors to the youth press more story writers, feature writers and commentators. They should give more space to similar materials about Soviet Youth and the Komsomol.

They should give more space to articles and other materials about the problems of the patriotic education of youth, about important historical events, about the life and works of important figures of our national democratic revolution and the fight against fascism and capitalism.

The pages of our youth press should more often contain reviews of theatrical productions treating the problems of the patriotic education of youth. They should also periodically carry lists of recommended literature and surveys of the latest publications.

Narodna mladezh [People's Youth] Publishing House should assure the writing and publication of novels, short stories, plays and other works by Bulgarian authors presenting a picture of the best sons and daughters of our people who have died in the fight against fascism. It should publish biographical sketches of the young heroes of socialist labor.

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The newspaper Narodna Mladezh should publish the column "They Died for the Fatherland" more frequently.

7. In view of the great importance of amateur performance activities for the patriotic education of our youth, the Plenary Session suggests that the organizations of the DPYL take the most active part possible in furthering amateur performances in 1952.

The Plenary Session suggests that KNIK take the necessary measures for supplying the amateur theatrical groups with more topically and ideologically suitable materials for their repertoires.

Culturally valuable books, films, plays, and other works of art are of great importance in the patriotic education of youth.

The youth of the Bulgarian people expects our writers, poets, painters, musicians, and other creative artists to create plays, pictures, and other works of art about the greatest son of our people, Georgi Dimitrov, about the revolutionaries of our Renaissance, Boltey, Levski, and others; it expects them to recreate the heroic epic of the April Uprising, the September Uprising of 123, the People's Anti-Fascist Revolution of 9 November 1944.

They should create more works clearly reflecting the builders of the new life, works exhorting and mobilizing the people and its youth to the most active participation in the fight for peace and the building of socialism in our country.

9. The Plenary Session suggests that the Bulgarian Telegraph Agency, Radio Sofia, and the daily and periodical press give more space and radio time to materials for the patriotic education of youth.

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The Plenary Session recommends that the Central Committee of the DPYL take the initiative in organizing a meeting with the leading bodies of KNIK, the Writers' League, the Artists' League, and the Committee for Motion Pictures, in order to survey the problems connected with the patriotic education of youth. The Central Committee should suggest measures to KNIK to improve the work of the National Youth Theater.

### II. OUR YOUTH MUST BE PREPARED PHYSICALLY AND TECHNOLOGICALLY FOR THE DEFENSE OF OUR COUNTRY

10. The Plenary Session considers it incompatible with the Communist education of youth that there should still exist, among a number of committees of the DPYL, an underestimation of the tasks of the physical training and technological education of youth which hampers its practical preparation for the defense of the Fatherland.

In activities directed towards the physical training and technological education of youth, the committees and local groups of the DPYL should be guided by the August resolutions of the Central Committee of the Bulgarian Communist Party regarding physical culture and athletics, and by the resolutions of the Second Congress of the League, while they are working to put these into practice.

11. The local groups of the DPYL should work in close cooperation with athletic groups and with the first-echelon organizations of the DOSO to achieve inclusion of the entire membership of the DPYL as well as of all of our youth -- in the training sections, courses and circles for the various branches of athletics of the DOSO. In order to extend mass activity in physical culture and athletics, as well as broaden propaganda and agitation for physical culture and military knowledge.

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12. The Plenary Session suggests that the MNS, VKFS, TsSPS and the TsS of DOSO work out, within the shortest possible time, concrete steps to carry out, broadly and on a mass scale, applied war games between the physical culture groups of the various plants, villages and schools. In the practical industrial and machine-tractor schools, as well as in the machine-tractor stations, courses in automotive and mechanical skills should be organized.

The Plenary Session exhorts every tractor operator who is a DPYL member to prepare a replacement for himself without interrupting production.

13. On the basis of the August resolutions of the CC of the BCP regarding the development of physical culture and athletics, and the resolutions of the Second Congress of the DPYL, the Plenary Session advises all the committees and organizations of the DPYL to direct their efforts in the physical education of youth mainly towards a mass fulfillment of the norms of the achievement cluster "Ready for Labor and Defense" of the first and second degree, towards a smooth fulfillment of the physical culture plan for the year 1952. The district, county, and local committees of the DPYL are advised to look over the plans for their districts, counties, towns, plants, schools, or villages, and to suggest concrete steps for the active participation of the organizations of the DPYL in their fulfillment.

The Plenary Session recommends to the organizations of the DPYL to exert all possible effort to draw our young women into the various branches of athletic activity.

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14. Since the physical-culture achievement cluster "Ready for Labor and Defense" of the Republic represents the program of the Party and the Government for the physical education of the people and its youth, and has as its goal the molding of physically and spiritually well-rounded citizens who are ready for labor and the defense of our socialist Fatherland, the Plenary Session suggests that the VKFS change the name of the physical culture achievement cluster "Ready for Labor and Defense", to read: physical-culture achievement cluster "Ready for Labor and the Defense of the Bulgarian People's Republic".

15. The Plenary Session suggests that the VKFS to look into, and devise steps toward raising the general level of athletic prowess.

16. One of the most important conditions for the development of mass activity in physical culture and athletics is the presence of a vast network of physical culture facilities. The patriotic task of our League is to inspire a nationwide expansion of athletic facilities -- especially in the schools and villages -- following the example of the town of Dimitrovo.

By the end of the year 1952, to every school its own athletic field!

17. The committees and local groups of the DPYL should direct special attention to the broadest popularization and practice of skiing, so that it may become a really well-liked mass sport of Bulgarian youth.

The committees and organizations of the DPYL should organize mass participation of young people in the ski marches and contests arranged by the KFS and by physical culture organizations.

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18. Aware of the fact that gymnastics is one of the most important branches of athletics, the regular practice of which contributes to the all-around physical development of youth and the achievement of athletic mastery, the committees of the DPYL should with particular insistence work towards its practice and mastery by the broadest strata of youth.

The Bureau of the Central Committee of the DPYL should propose to the MNP, and together with it take steps towards, mass study by our youth in the schools of the foundations of gymnastics.

19. Aware of the extraordinarily great importance of the movement for year-round open-air athletic practice, the Plenary Session advises the organizations of the DPYL to show the maximum initiative in making it a reality.

20. Hiking is one of the basic branches of athletics, the mass practice of which is of great importance in preparing youth for labor and defense of country. With the objective of making hiking even more of a mass movement, the Plenary Session suggests that the VKFS, TsSPS, and MNP, conduct yearly, throughout the month of June, a Dimitrovite mass hike of trade-unionists and youth all over the country in honor of the birthday of Georgi Dimitrov.

21. The Plenary Session directs the attention of the Okrug, Okoliya, town and rayon committees of the DPYL to making a thorough check on the fulfillment of the resolutions of the Central Committee regarding ideological educational work among physical culturists. The young athletics should be included in the system of political enlightenment of the DPYL. To well-trained/cadre members of the DPYL should be delegated the responsibility for political work in the respective

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athletic branches of the various groups.

22. The Dimitrovite People's Youth League will indeed fulfill its obligations to the People and Party in regard to the technological education of youth, when the Committees and organizations of the DPYL organize the mass study by youth of marksmanship and antiaircraft and antichemical defense (PVKhO). With this before it, the Plenary Session presents as its alsogan:

"By the end of 1952, each member of the DPYL should eam his People's Marksman's or PVKhO badge."

23. The Plenary Session advises the Committees of the DPYL to organize the inclusion, on a broad scale, of young men and women in the circles and courses in the various branches of aviation and naval sports, amateur radio and communications, motor, automotive and tractor mechanics.

It is necessary to organize, among pioneers, the mass study of model airplane and model ship construction as well as ham radio, to help them acquire technological and military knowledge.

24. In order to achieve greater emphasis on the development of marksmanship practice, amateur radio, amateur photography, etc., the Plenary Session suggests that the Ministry of Heavy Industry insure the production of practice cartridges, radio parts, photo supplies, etc.

The Plenary Session recommends that the editorial board of the magazine Nauka i tekhnika za mladezh intensify its propaganda for military knowledge among youth.

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III. OUR YOUTH SHOULD BE EDUCATED TO LOVE OUR PEOPLE'S ARMY AND OUR PEOPLE'S MILITIA, AND TO GIVE IT ALL POSSIBLE AID IN ITS WORK

25. The Plenary Session considers it an objective of the first magnitude for the committees and local groups of the DPYL to continually educate the members of the League and all of our youth to love our People's Army and People's Militia, by giving special attention to the enlistment of suitable young people -- faithful to Party and Country -- who are needed to fill the ranks of the cadets in all military educational institutions.

Every member of the DPYL should consider it a matter of honor and pride to be included in the ranks of the People's Army.

26. The Plenary Session suggests that the Ministry of National Defense and the DOSO organize the publication of a military-athletic library, in which elementary knowledge in a number of military fields is presented in popular form.

27. The Plenary Session suggests that the VKFS include in the plan item "Social Importance of Physical Culture" a panel on the battle achievements of our People's Army, for which purpose a special pamphlet should be published.

28. The preliminary physical and technological training of pre-conscription-age youth is of great importance for their future training as fighters in the People's Army.

The Plenary Session advises the committees and organizations of the DPYL to insure, in harmony with the physical-culture organizations and the DOSO, the physical and combat training of pre-conscription-age

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youth, or order to give them physical health, agility and endurance, as well as mastery in marksmanship. Every pre-conscription-age youth should become qualified for at least the "Ready for Labor and Defense" and "People's Marksman" badges and learn to master one or two military specialties.

29. The Okrug, Okoliya, municipal, rayon and local committees of the DPYL should be systematically concerned with improving the leadership of the Border, Armored, and Air Forces, and should organize meetings with the People's Army. The committees of the DPYL should maintain continuous contact with fighters during the entire term of their service, should show uninterrupted interest in their work, and should provide help and care for the families of those in service.

30. The Okrug, Okoliya, municipal and rayon committees of the DPYL should aggressively organize political mass activity all over the country to educate our youth in the spirit of revolutionary vigilance, to unveil enemy manifestations and propaganda, to guard our plants and production, cooperative farms, machine-tractor stations, etc. against enemy sabotage attempts.

The shameless lies and calumnies of dirty American propaganda, spread day and night by dozens of American, English and other radio stations as well as by the fascist and capitalist residues in our own country, should be countered by the committees and organizations of the DPYL and all of its cadre and membership with our truth, our gigantic successes in socialist construction, our joyful present and bright future.

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The committees of the DPYL should present and widely popularize the cases of young people and pioneers who have distinguished themselves in the apprehension of spies, bandits, and diversionists.

The Plenary Session finds that the work of reeducating and reintegrating into socialist construction those sons and daughters of the working people who have been temporarily led astray by the enemy -- even if they have been expelled from the DPYL -- is a particularly important duty of the entire membership of the DPYL.

31. The organizations of the DPYL in the western and southern border regions should work even more stubbornly and systematically to educate our youth in unrelenting hatred of the Titoists, the Greek monarcho-fascists and the Turkish reactionaries. The cooperation between the youth of our border regions and the Border Guard in the guarding of our borders should be strengthened even further.

The guarding of the western and southern borders is the most important task of the organizations of the DPYL in the border regions.

### THE WORK OF THE DPYL IN THE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING AND PREPARATORY SCHOOLS:

Thanks to the uninterrupted care of the ECP and the People's Government and the brotherly aid of the great Soviet Union, and the support of progressive Russian and Soviet science, higher education in our country since 9 September 1944 has achieved important successes in the molding of a new socialist intelligentsia, unquestioningly devoted to the Party and the cause of socialism.

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Never in our country has such care been given, such great attention devoted, to the cause of higher education. Never before have the gates of the institutions of higher learning and of preparatory schools been so wide open to the young people of the working masses. Now in the institutions of higher learning the student body is composed of the sons and daughters of our working people, our shock workers and inventors of new rational methods from the plants, construction sites, mines, and cooperative farms.

Gigantic changes have taken place in the instructional and educational work of the institutions of higher learning. New programs and plans of study in the foundations of the all-victorious teachings of Marx-Engels-Lenin-Stalin and the foundations of the experience of Soviet science and art have been introduced.

The achievement level is constantly being raised, and study discipline is constantly being strengthened among students. Every year, our institutions of higher learning and preparatory schools yield an ever-increasing number of well-trained specialists in all the branches of the nation's economy and culture.

A large share of the achievements of our higher education can be laid at the door of the organizations of the DPYL in our institutions of higher learning and preparatory schools. The DPYL is ever improving its function as first assistant to the Party and to the administrations of the institutions of higher learning in the Communist education of the student body. The organizations of the DPYL in the institutions of higher learning, constantly learning from the experience of the Komsomol, are with ever-increasing success organizing the struggle of the student

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body for mastery of the principles of Marxism-Leninism and for advanced and enduring knowledge.

The Plenary Session acknowledges that in the work of the DPYL among our student youth serious deficiencies can be found as well. A large number of local groups, groups in the various schools of the colleges, and all-college groups still do not give good support to the administrations of the institutions of higher learning in raising the achievement level and improving the discipline of the student bodies. The achievement level of a considerable number of students in the various fields and specialties is still unsatisfactory; over-registration has not yet been eliminated, especially in high-level courses. The organization does not prompt the students to active participation in lectures, exercises and individual conferences.

The committees and bureaus of the DPYL in a number of institutions of higher learning and preparatory schools underestimate the importance of, and need for, a deepening of the study of marxist-leninist teaching. They do not support the chairs of the socio-political disciplines actively enough in the task of molding a correct marxist-leninist world view among students.

The organizations of the DPYL give insufficient support to the Party organizations in the spread and deepening of the students' knowledge of the problems of marxist-leninist theory.

In the work of a number of organizations of the DPYL there exist evidences of formalism and stereotyped thinking. As our organizations do not always react sharply and in line with principle against such unhealthy phenomena and the incorrect utterances of individual members

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are not always corrected. The educational effectiveness of the organization is lowered. The organization is not conducting a consistent, unrelenting battle against these inadequacies; it is not using the weapon of criticism to overcome them.

Not all organizations of the DPYL conceive of their work as an inseparable part of the overall educational work in the institutions of higher learning. They do not help in uncovering and removing inadequacies in the educational process. Some administrations of institutions of higher learning do not maintain close liaison with the organizations of the DPYL. Underestimating their role and importance, they do not present these organizations with concrete tasks to perform in the improvement of educational work.

The Plenary Session finds that the district, county and town committees of the DPYL have provided inadequate leadership to the organizations of the DPYL in the institutions of higher learning and preparatory schools.

In connection with the inadequacies pointed out above, and with the tasks before us in the work of the DPYL among student youth, the Plenary Session resolves:

1. That the main objective of the DPYL in the institutions of higher learning and preparatory schools is the support of the Communist Party and the People's Government in preparing highly-qualified specialists -- ardent lovers of their country and of the Bulgarian Communist Party, faithful and devoted to the great Soviet Union and to Comrade Stalin, ready to defend the interests of their socialist Fatherland, ready to overcome all the difficulties in the path of creating the economic and cultural foundations of socialism in our country.

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The Plenary Session advises the district, county, town and regional committees and organizations of the DPYL to support the Party organizations and the administrations of the institutions of higher learning and preparatory schools in the execution of their educational and ideological work, toward creating a new socialist intelligentsia, towards a further strengthening of the institutions of higher learning.

2. A deepened master of knowledge should be considered the first patriotic duty of every student member of the DPYL who is preparing to become a specialist in the socio-political, economic and cultural life of the country. The duty of all the members of the DPYL especially cadre members of the organization, to be exemplary in relating work to study. The organizations of the DPYL in the institutions of higher learning should contribute to the regular course of the educational process. They should conduct a campaign of enlightenment to bring about active participation by the student body in lectures, individual conferences, exercises, and practice work in production, a campaign to liquidate lack of good faith on the part of the students in relation to their study duties, to eliminate a last-minute rush in the preparation and taking of examinations.

The organizations of the DPYL should lead the fight against appearing at examinations with insufficient preparation, against preparation for examinations on the basis of notes and class material alone, against the conception of examinations as an end in themselves. The Plenary Session finds that the fundamental feature of educational work is the active participation by the student in the lecture. The organizations should work towards teaching the student to work systematically and independently on the fundamental sources in the respective field of knowledge.

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An important task of the organizations of the DPYL is the institutions of higher learning and preparatory schools is the systematic development, throughout the entire course of study, of the students' interest in their specialty and love for their future profession. With a view towards intensifying their work of making clear the high patriotic calling of the school teacher, thus stopping the flight of students from the <sup>The</sup> teaching profession, <sup>The</sup> Plenary Session directs the attention of the organizations of the DPYL to the educational curriculum of the University of Sofia as well as of the teachers colleges. The Plenary Session recommends that the student members of these organizations engage in community work outside of their universities and institutes in the Dimitrova Pioneer organization "Septembriyche" and in the secondary-school organizations of the DPYL.

The Plenary Session finds that the objectives of the DPYL are indissolubly linked to the educational work carried out by the administrations of the institutions of higher learning and preparatory schools. The organizations of the DPYL are duty-bound to participate in uncovering and removing inadequacies in educational work.

The organizations of the DPYL should work towards turning the groups of the DPYL into creative, well-integrated groups, unforgetting of the faults and inadequacies of their members, and educating in them a conscious rapport with their study duties.

4. The Organizations of the DPYL must consider students' practice work in production an important aspect of the preparation of new specialists. They must help the administrations of the institutions of higher learning in organizing it and carrying it out; they must point

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out faults of technique and organization as well as scientific and methodical weaknesses; they must lead the fight against the unwillingness of students to engage in practice work where it is needed, and against violations of discipline.

During practice work, the organizations of the DPYL should work toward close fraternization, on the basis of mutual cooperation, of students with the working youth of town and country.

5. The Plenary Session finds that the students' scientific circles aid the preparation of future specialists, teaching them independent creative work and deepening their knowledge. It considers wrong the tendency to limit their mass character and reduce the objectives of amateur scientific activity to experimental work alone. The organizations of the DPYL should work towards a continued development of amateur scientific activity; they should support the administrations of institutions of higher learning in the formation of new circles; they should become the initiators of the organization of scientific conferences, discussions, contests, etc, for the popularization of the achievements of our own and of Soviet science. The work of the scientific circles is to be conducted on a high ideological and theoretical level, in close contact with the problems of socialist construction. The Plenary Session proposes that student scientific societies be founded.

6. The Plenary Session finds that a prerequisite for access to the achievements of Soviet science is a mastery of the Russian language; the organizations of the DPYL should therefore lead the fight against underestimating the importance of the Russian language in

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the beginning courses at institutions of higher learning, and should take steps to enroll students of the advanced courses in the Russian language study courses organized by the Bulgarian-Soviet Friendship League.

7. The Plenary Session advises the organizations of the DPYL in the preparatory schools and institutions of higher learning to aid the Party and the administrations of the institutions in insuring a profound and creative acquisition by the student body of the science of a Marxism-Leninism.

The committees and bureaus of the DPYL must conduct a systematic struggle against the manifestation of formalistic student attitudes towards the study of the socio-political disciplines. They should subject to regular scrutiny the qualitative mastery of the subject matter, and take steps to remove existing inadequacies.

Finding that the study of Marxism-Leninism by the student body should not cease with taking the examinations in the socio-political disciplines, the Plenary Session exhorts the committees and bureaus of the DPYL -- with the help of the chairs of the socio-political disciplines and under the leadership of the Party organizations -- to intergate the student body into the Party's various forms of political enlightenment activity, leading to later independent study of Marxism-Leninism as a whole as well as of the individual works of its classics. It advises them to conduct a systematic check of the self-education of the members of the DPYL.

To support the independent study of Marxism-Leninism by students, the following recommendations are given to the organizations of the DPYL:

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(a) They should participate in the organization and systematic conducting of theoretical conferences about individual works by Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin, about questions of the Communist education of youth and about topical problems of science, literature and art.

The committees and bureaus of the DPYL should insure widespread participation by students in these theoretical conferences and should contribute to their functioning on a high ideological and theoretical plane.

(b) They should improve the quality of the work in the scientific circles in the socio-political discipline and contribute to the creation of new circles in connection with each chair in the socio-political disciplines.

(c) Under the leadership of the Party organizations, and with the help of the chairs of the socio-political disciplines, they should organize the presentation of lecture series and reports on the history of the VKP (b), the history of the BCP on the biographies of V. I. Lenin, I. V. Stalin, G. Dimitrov, on individual works of the classics of Marxism-Leninism, on political economy, on questions of the foreign and international political situation.

The committees of the DPYL are advised to cooperate with the administrations of the institutions of higher learning and the Party in organizing the organization of lecture series in the institutions of higher learning.

(d) They should inspire students to give reports and prepare surveys of various problems of Marxism-Leninism, of topical,

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scientific and political questions; they should organize participation by the student body in the work of propaganda among young workers and farmers and among school youth.

8. The Plenary Session advises the organizations of the DPYL in institutions of higher learning and research institutes to disseminate the policies of the Party and Government. They should regularly organize lectures and reports about the great construction projects of Communism in the Soviet Union and socialist construction in our country, they should widely propagandize the achievements of the most progressive literature and art of the world -- Soviet literature and art -- and their leading role in the development of socialist science and culture. They should unmask the reactionary nature of bourgeois culture and morality, they should unveil the policies of the imperialist camp and the animal face of the American imperialists and their despicable Titoist, Greek and Turkish lackeys, they should point out the unceasingly growing power of the democratic forces, headed by the Soviet Union and the great Stalin, as well as the inevitability of the defeat of capitalism and the victory of Communism.

The Plenary Session advises the organizations of the DPYL in the institutions of higher learning and research institutes to show revolutionary vigilance, to fight against the influence of religious prejudices and manifestations of a political attitudes, inactivity and bowing and scraping before the West.

9. Noting the presence of serious inadequacies in the work of the organizations of the DPYL in the art academies, the Plenary Session exhorts them to improve their work on the Marxist-Leninist education of the student body in the spirit of the instructions of the TsK VKP(b)

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relating to the problems of literature, art and philosophy, and the instruction of the CC of the BCP regarding the work in the Academy of Fine Arts.

The DPYL in the art academies must help the students to arrive at the profound recognition that only that art is strong which with all its roots is tied to the people and vividly refers to current events and present-day life. It should work towards educating the students in the traditions of socialist realism, it should lead a decisive struggle against formalism in art, against bowing before bourgeois art and culture, against the bearers of decayed bourgeois morality; it should work to acquaint our youth with the works of art of the Soviet Union and of our country.

The Plenary Session recommends that the organizations of the DPYL become initiators, and cooperate with the administrations of the institutions of higher learning, in arranging presentations of the creative activity of the students of the Academy of the Theater and the Academy of Music, as well as in organizing exhibits of the best works of the students of the Academy of Fine Arts.

10. The organizations of the DPYL are duty-bound to improve decisively the cultural work among the masses of student youth, to fight for its functioning of a high ideological plane so that it will be interesting and attractive and satisfy the desires of the students; so that it will contribute to their patriotic education and the raising of their political and cultural level.

The organizations of the DPYL must definitely support the professional organizations and the administrations of the institutions of

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higher learning in organizing student cultural clubs, and in turning them into centers for cultural activity among the masses.

The organizations of the DPYL, together with the professional organizations, must insure a vast development of amateur performance activity. In the choral, orchestral, drama and dance groups, more students should be included; choral singing and mass study of Soviet and Bulgarian songs should be developed on a large scale. Steps should be taken to improve the idea content of the repertoires of the groups, and to raise their artistic quality.

The organizations of the DPYL are duty-bound to take steps to popularize widely and acquaint our students with the works of our own and Soviet science, technology, literature, and art; they should organize literary soirees, meetings with leading figures of science and art, heroes of labor, etc., reviews of works of art, theatrical performances and motion pictures. The organizations of the DPYL are duty-bound to expand ever-increasingly and to strengthen their ties with our young workers, farmers and soldiers.

There has to be an improvement in the work of the DPYL on mobilizing our students for a still more active participation in the fight for peace, and in all the steps organized by the (SFDM) [World Federation of Democratic Youth] and MSS.

11. The Plenary Session advises the organizations of the DPYL in the institutions of higher learning and preparatory schools to improve their work in the sphere of physical education of our students, involving them in active, year-round physical-culture activities based on the fulfillment of the Government's physical-culture plan.

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The organizations of the DPYL should lend support to the improvement of the work of the chairs of physical education. The committees and bureaus of the DPYL should lend continuous support to the DSO "Akademik" and "Cherveno zname" in the organizational strengthening of the groups and the overall improvement of their work, in the liquidation of formalism and last minute speed-ups in the fulfillment of the Government's physical culture plan.

The committees and bureaus together with the DSO, the professional organizations and the faculty, should become initiators of the organization and conduct of athletic contests between classes, the various schools of the colleges, and between institutions.

The Plenary Session recommends that the organizations of the DPYL in the institutions of higher learning and preparatory schools take the initiative for the construction of athletic fields in every institution of higher learning and preparatory school.

The organizations of the DPYL must definitely lend the most active support to the DOSO towards the mastery, by our students, of the applied military disciplines.

12. The Plenary Session advises the committees and organizations of the DPYL to give more care to the social and living accommodations of the students by bringing inadequacies to the attention of the administrations of the institutions of higher learning, and making proposals for their removal.

They should help the professional organizations to take steps to insure strict order in the student dining halls and dormitories, to improve social control over them.

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The Plenary Session advises the workers of the DPYL committees to visit more frequently the institutions of higher learning and preparatory schools and to acquaint themselves with the needs and interests of the students, as well as to address them regularly in reports and panels.

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